Sl No.	Name of State	BG	MG	NG	Total
21	Jammu & Kashmir	138	0	0	138
22	Goa	69	0	0	69
23	Tripura	0	64	0	64
24	Nagaland	11	2	0	13
25	Mizoram	0	2	0	2
26	Manipur	0	1	0	1
27	Arunachal Pradesh	0	1	0	1
28	Sikkim	0	0	0	0
29	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0

Development of Platforms in Punjab

2997. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state the names of railway platforms likely to be developed in Punjab during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI RATHWA): Railways do not maintain State wise record. Railways maintain zone wise record. The jurisdiction of Northern and North Western Railways falls in Punjab. There are more than 8000 railway stations on Indian Railways. All the stations have been provided Minimum Essential Amenities as per the norms and according to the category of station. Up-gradation of stations, which includes improvements/raising of platforms, is a continuous process and every year number of such works has been/ are being sanctioned based on importance of station and inter-se-priorities. Such up-gradation works are completed at large number of stations every year.

Linking of North East to Myanmar and Bangladesh

2998. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the length of railways in Kilometres in the State of Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Meghalaya, Manipur, Mizoram, Sikkim and Tripura (sanctioned and completed so far);

(b) the programme of Government to link Myanmar and Bangladesh with the North-Eastern States in possible cases; and

(c) the details of the efforts of Government along this dimension?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI RATHWA): (a) The length of railways (route kilometres) in these States as on 31.03.2005 (latest available) is given below:—

Name of the State	*Route Kilometres*
Arunachal Pradesh	1.26
Nagaland	12.85
Meghalaya	No rail line
Manipur	1.35
Mizoram	1.50
Sikkim	No rail line
Tripura	64.42

(a) and (c) Ministry of External Affairs had commissioned Rail India Technical and Economic Services (RITES Ltd.) to carry out a feasibility study for India-Myanmar Rail Link. This study has been completed. The feasibility study suggested the following alignments:

In India:

(i) Construction of new rail link between Jiribam-Imphal-Moreh at a cost of Rs. 2941.08 crore.

In Myanmar:

(ii) construction of a new rail link between Tamu (Moreh)-Kalah-Segyi at a cost of Rs. 1339.02 crore and rehabilitation of existing line from Segyi-Chaungu Myohaung at a cost of Rs. 283.959 crore.

No decision has been taken with regard to setting up rail link with Myanmar. However, a new line from Jiribam-Imphal Road (Tupul) has been taken up to provide connectivity to Imphal and the same is targeted for completion by March 2010.

For connecting Bangladesh, survey for new line from Agartala to Akhaura (Bangladesh) has been taken up. The survey in Indian territory has been completed and in Bangladesh territory, survey is being done by Bangladesh authorities.

Medical Facilities to Passengers

†2999. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the arrangement to provide medical facilities to the passengers falling sick during rail-journey;

(b) who is responsible for providing medical facilities in trains; and

(c) the policy for giving compensation to the passengers who die during journey for want of medical facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI NARANBHAI RATHWA): (a) to (c) All long distance Passenger carrying trains are provided with First Aid Boxes containing essential drugs and dressing materials and the First Aid Boxes are available with the Guards of all the trains. In addition Augmented First Aid Boxes with additional medicines, disposable medical material, etc. have been provided with the Train Superintendents/Pantry Car Managers of Rajdhani/Shatabdi Express Trains and on nominated long distance Mail /Express trains. Services of Train Superintendents, Train-Conductors, Travelling Ticket Examiners, Pantry Car Managers and doctors travelling as passengers are also utilized to attend to passengers who are in need of urgent medical assistance. The front line staff viz. Train Superintendents, Train-Conductors, Travelling Ticket Examiners, etc. are all trained in rendering first aid. Trains also make unscheduled halts, if necessary, at the stations enroute in extreme emergencies. The Station Masters have details of doctors, clinics & hospitals, both Government and Private, in the vicinity of the station, so that their services can be requisitioned, in emergencies. In addition, a database has also been developed regarding availability of the non-railway medial facilities for providing emergency medial care to sick travelling passengers in the Trains and at the station enroute.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.